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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Previously amended) A method according to claim 31, wherein said message is an intra-facility message for all groups of members.
4. (Original) A method according to claim 2, wherein said message is a facility-to-group member message.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Previously amended) A method according to claim 33, wherein said entering a member message includes selecting a stored message from a plurality of stored messages.
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Cancelled)
10. (Cancelled)
11. (Cancelled)
12. (Cancelled)

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13. (Previously amended) A system according to claim 37, wherein said message is an intra-facility message for all groups of members.

14. (Previously amended) A system according to claim 37, wherein said message is a facility-to-group member message.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Previously amended) A system according to claim 39, wherein said means for entering a member message includes selecting a stored message from a plurality of stored messages.

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously amended) A software system according to claim 43, wherein said message is an intra-facility message for all groups of members.

24. (Previously amended) A software system according to claim 43, wherein said message is a facility-to-group member message.

25. (Cancelled)

26. (Cancelled)

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27. (Previously amended) A software system according to claim 44, wherein said module for entering a member message includes selecting a stored message from a plurality of stored messages.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Cancelled)

31. (New) A method of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

receiving personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

receiving into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

wherein the displaying of a message occurs at pre-set times during the day.

32. (New) A method of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

receiving personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

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receiving into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

sending messages to at least one of the stations for storage therein.

33. (New) A method of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

receiving personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

receiving into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

entering a member message into said at least one of the stations, and displaying the member message at one of the stations in response to another group member entering his or her personal identification information into said one of the stations.

34. (New) A method of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

receiving personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

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receiving into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

wherein said message is a facility message.

35. (New) A method of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

receiving personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

receiving into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

displaying a commercial message at at least one of the stations when idle.

36. (New) A method of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

receiving personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

receiving into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

sending a message to a personal mobile device.

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37. (New) A system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

means for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

means for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

wherein the displaying of a message occurs at pre-set times during the day.

38. (New) A system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

means for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

means for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

means for sending messages to at least one of the stations for storage therein.

39. (New) A system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

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means for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information; and

means for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

means for entering a member message into said at least one of the stations, and means for displaying the member message at one of the stations in response to another group member entering his or her personal identification information into said one of the stations.

40. (New) A system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

means for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

means for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

wherein said message is a facility message.

41. (New) A system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

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means for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

means for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

means for displaying a commercial message at at least one of the stations when idle.

42. (New) A system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

means for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

means for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

means for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

means for sending a message to a personal mobile device.

43. (New) A software system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

module for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;



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module for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

module for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

wherein the displaying of a message occurs at pre-set times during the day.

44. (New) A software system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

module for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

module for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

module for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

module for sending messages to at least one of the stations for storage therein.

45. (New) A software system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

module for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

module for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

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module for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

module for entering a member message into said at least one of the stations, and module for displaying the member message at one of the stations in response to another group member entering his or her personal identification information into said one of the stations.

46. (New) A software system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

module for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

module for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

module for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

wherein said message is a facility message.

47. (New) A software system of message communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

module for entering personal identification information of one member of a group into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

module for displaying a message in response to the receipt of the personal identification information;

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module for entering into said at least one of the group of stations a request to find the location of other members of the group; and

module for displaying a commercial message at at least one of the stations when idle.